Communal Disturbances in Mangalore

91. Sri B. M. IDINABBA (Mangalore-2).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the basic reasons for the communal disturbances that took place in Mangalore for several days from April 1968 ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that action to control the same was taken lately by the local officers ;

(*c*) the number of deaths occurred and damage caused to the property on account of the said disturbance ;

(*d*) the details of the damages and losses occurred (community details may please be given) ;

(*e*) the steps taken by them to stop the said disturbance ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) The disturbances took place on account of ill-feelings between two communities and also a petty quarrel between some individuals.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Loss of life—3.

Loss of property : Rs. 16,40,700 (Estimated).

(*d*) It would not be in public interest to disclose this information.

(*e*) All steps to bring the situation to normalcy were taken.

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97. Sri B. BHASKAR SHETTY (Kaup).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) how the communal distrubance that took place in Mangalore some time past commenced and for how many days it continued ;

(*b*) the nature of the damages caused on account of the same and the number and names of persons who sustained loss and the estimated amount of loss sustained by each one of them ;

(*c*) the number and names of persons who died when the police fired to arrest the said disturbance ;

(*d*) the number of persons arrested in this connection and the action taken against them ;

(*e*) the number of affected persons to whom relief has been given and the nature of relief given (Detailed information regarding the names of persons to whom the amount has been given to each together with the amount may please be given) ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) The disturbances started on 18th April 1968 over a petty quarrel between two individuals and continued till 22nd April 1968.

(*b*) The disturbances resulted in damage to buildings and loss of property like household articles, cash, jewels, merchandise, etc. The total loss is estimated to be Rs. 16,40,700. For the names of the persons who suffered the damage and the estimates of damages, please see statement placed on the Table of the House.*

(*c*) Two :

(i) Sri Chandrasekhar and

(ii) Sri Annappa Shetty.

(*d*) 290 persons were arrested and cases have been registered against them. In additon 504 persons were arrested for violation of prohibitory orders.

(*e*) 173 persons were afforded relief in cash and kind. For details, please see statement placed on the Table of the House.*

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101. Sri H. N. NANJE GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the reasons for the disturbances in Mangalore on 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd of April, 1968 ;

(*b*) the actual timings and dates on which 'Curfew' was imposed in connection with the aforesaid disturbances ;

(*c*) the timings and dates on which firings were ordered ;

(*d*) the number of times actually firing took place and the area where police actually opend Fire ;

(*e*) the number of persons died due to firing ;

(*f*) the distance between the scene of loot and arson at Bunder and nearest Police Station ;

(*g*) whether the Chamber of Commerce, Mangalore and the Bunder Merchants requested the police to give protection to their persons and properties ;

(*h*) if so, when they actually requested for help and the help extended by police ;

(*i*) whether any weapons were seized by the police, if so the details as to the nature of weapons seized and the persons under whose possession these weapons were found ;

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* Copy placed in the Mysore Legislature Library.